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OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

LTC No. 006-2013

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO:

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission

FROM:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

DATE:

January 8, 2013

SUBJECT: VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK RESOLUTION RELATING TO EARTH HOUR PARTICIPATION ON MARCH 23, 2013; URGING OTHER MUNICIPALITIES TO REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE IN EARTH HOUR.

Attached for your information, is Village of Biscayne Park Resolution 2012-65, relating to Earth Hour participation on March 23, 2013.

The purpose of Earth Hour is to draw attention to climate change and to encourage people, communities, municipalities and nations to address the issue and make proactive changes. This year the signature annual event, when people and municipalities turn off the lights for an hour, is scheduled for Saturday, March 23, 2013, between 8:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

The Village of Biscayne Park is requesting that other municipalities register and participate in Earth Hour.

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Attachment

c: Kathie G. Brooks, Interim City Manager

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RESOLUTION NO. 2012-65

A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COMMISSION OF THE VILLAGE OF BISCAYNE PARK, FLORIDA, RELATING TO EARTH HOUR PARTICIPATION ON MARCH 23, 2013; URGING OTHER MUNICIPALITIES TO REGISTER AND PARTICIPATE IN EARTH HOUR; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Earth Hour is an annual international event that since its inception, has been associated with the World Wildlife Fund; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of Earth Hour is to draw attention to climate change and to encourage people, communities, municipalities and nations to address the issue and make proactive changes; and,

WHEREAS, this year the signature annual event, when people and municipalities turn off the lights for an hour, is scheduled for March 23, 2013 between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m.; and,

WHEREAS, according to the Earth Hour website, in 2012, more than 6950 cities and town across 152 countries and territories participated in Earth Hour; and,

WHEREAS, to date only one municipality, located in Broward County, has registered to participate in Earth Hour; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Commission have directed the Village administration to register for participation in Earth Hour, the Village shall participate in providing information to Village residents to participate and will attempt to make this "Hour" a community event with activities; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Commission urge the Florida League of Cities, the counties and municipalities of Florida to participate in the Earth Hour event scheduled for March 23, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, during the "hour" participants shall turn off the lights in support of Earth Hour; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Village Commission desire to participate in Earth Hour on March 23, 2012 between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m. and urge other municipalities and counties in Florida to participate as well.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Commission of the Village of Biscayne Park, Florida that:

Section 1. The above whereas clauses are incorporated by reference.

1 2	Section 2. The Clerk is authorized to register the Village's participation in Earth Hour 2013.	
3 4 5 6 7	Section 3. The Clerk is authorized to distribute a copy of this resolution to the Florida League of Cities, and to local municipalities and Miami-Dade County to encourage their participation in Earth Hour 2013.	
8 9	Section 4. This resolution shall tak	e effect immediately upon approval.
10	PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4 th day of December, 2012.	
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13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Noah Jacobs, Mayor	The foregoing resolution upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows: Mayor Jacobs: Yes Vice Mayor Cooper: Absent Commissioner Anderson: Yes Commissioner Ross: Yes Commissioner Watts: Yes
21 22 23 24	Attest: Maua C. Camara	Camara, Village Clerk
25 26	Maria C. Camara, Village Clerk	
27 28	Approved as to form:	
29 30 31 32 33 34	Village Attorney	· -